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Hongkong, 12th January, 1907. [28]

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Hongkong, 4th April, 1908. [9]

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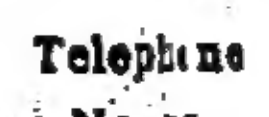
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MANILA, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE. "PRINZ WALDEMAR" Capt. W. v. Senden. THURSDAY, 5 P.M., 23rd April.

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Hongkong, 3rd April, 1908.

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MARSEILLES, VIA PORTS TOURANE. Lancelin. 14th April, 1 P.M.

SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, YARRA. Solier. 27th April, afternoon.

MARSEILLES, VIA PORTS ARMAND BEHC. Guignot. 28th April, 1 P.M.

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THE DENIZENS OF KOBE'S FOREIGN SETTLEMENT.

ANOTHER SERIES OF ARTICLES BY THE "ASHI."

It will be remembered that some months ago the *Osaka Asahi* published a series of articles entitled "The Foreign Community from Behind," in which its Kobe correspondent—a gentleman whose knowledge of English is, we believe, of a most elementary description, and who is therefore scarcely competent for the task he set himself—did his best to give his Japanese readers an unfavourable impression of the foreign residents of Kobe. We reproduced a part of the printable portions of those articles with some comments thereon, and had hoped that a journal of the *Asahi's* standing would decline in future to publish articles which can only have the effect of damaging the relations between Japanese and foreigners. We observe, however, that the Kobe correspondent of the *Asahi* has been allowed another opportunity to exhibit his talents, and that journal has begun a series of articles under a heading which, literally translated, is "The Race of People in the Kobe Foreign Settlement." The first article consists chiefly of an attack on the senior *banto* in foreign firms. The writer calls them remnants of *yakshi-mono* (literally "foreign-house people" or "foreign-house things," an old phrase of contempt for those in foreign employ). These foreign-house people are described as a corrupt lot. The writer goes on to say:

"Lately young men who have emerged from the Higher Commercial Schools or Higher Schools have found situations in foreign firms in fair numbers, and there are now more comparatively steady men, and some of really good character, to be found among junior *banto* or clerks of foreign firms." But the writer insists that many of the senior *banto* with great experience and good means still have the feelings of the old *yakshi-mono*, and the younger men are liable to follow in their footsteps. The "foreign-firm character" (*shokuan katagi*) is still in evidence in the most important foreign trade port of the Kansai district. "If it is of primary importance for the subjects of our Empire to strive to manifest or give full play to *Yamato damashii* in commerce at the present time and in the future, and if that doctrine of the spirit of the samurai and the sagacity of the merchant is to be regarded as the most important basis of the wealth and strength of the Empire, a strong serum must be injected into the corrupted 'foreign settlement race,' who can best be described as the bacilli of the foreign trade ports." "Foreign settlement race," it may be remarked, is the fashion in which the writer refers to Japanese in foreign employ. He proceeds—"The spotless trousers with the mark of the folds showing conspicuously, the snow-white high collar, the necktie of bright colours, and the pattern of the stuff of the sack-overcoat redolent with the smell of foreign-made, a pair of spectacles to match, the glazed boots, the style in which the hair is groomed, the drooping mustaches—all these are things which the 'foreign-firm race' are worried about all the time."

A well-known authority on foreign firm affairs, employed by the Government of a certain foreign country in Kobe, one day remarked to the writer—"There is a god, which the foreign-firm *banto* all worship devoutly. It is the god named *Boroi* (large profit with little work). Before the god of *Boroi*, they will sacrifice everything without shame." This authority added—"In worshipping this god, 'foreign-firm race' have one word always on their lips, that is the word 'commission.' Commission is everything. In order to obtain commission they will risk all dangers without fear or shame. Here is an instance which is not an old story. One of these worshippers of commission, misrepresenting his concubine at his native village as a sister, offered her to a foreigner in charge of the export department of his firm. The offer was accepted, and as a result the *banto* was placed in a position which entitled him to a large commission every month." This authority further added that the practice of offering their concubines to foreigners was very common among the "foreign-firm people"; it amounted to only a trifling transaction for them. For the sake of *boroi*, they would not hesitate even to sell their own wives. When they cannot make money or get commission by selling merchandise, they will sell their own concubines or wives without shame to foreigners. Among such persons may be found some who would not hesitate to sell their own country, so long as they can make a large profit with little work. As an illustration, the authority pointed out to the writer that there lives in Kobe a Japanese, who carried about with him a false report of a Russian victory, which emanated from a Russian source, during the time of the war. Considering things from this point of view, it is necessary to seriously consider the question of clearing out the "foreign-firm character" (*yakshi-mono shikata*), who are anti-Japanese, from this commercial port of Kobe, and thus assist in the furtherance of the foreign trade of the Empire. —Japan Chronicle.

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No. 10, DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL, 1st Floor.

HOUSES in WONG-NEI-CHONG ROAD.

Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1908.

TO LET.

4-ROOMED HOUSES in GAP ROAD near the Race Course with easy access to the Lower Level Tramway. Rent very moderate. FLATS for Europeans in WILD DELL BUILDINGS, No. 147, Wanchai Road.

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PERCY SMITH & SETH.

Hongkong, 26th December, 1907.

TO LET.

GODOWN No. 3 NEW PRAYA, Kennedy Town.

Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1908.

TO LET.

NOS. 4 and 8, LEIGHTON HILL ROAD.

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HONGKONG AND KOWLOON LAND AND LOAN CO., LD.

No. 8, Queen's Road West.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1908.

For Sale.

A BROKEN-DOWN SYSTEM. This is a condition (or state) to which doctors give many names, but which few of them really understand. It is simply weakness—broken down, as it were, of the vital forces that sustain the system. No matter what may be the cause (for they are almost numberless), its symptoms are the same: the more prominent being, sleeplessness, irritability, and want of energy for all the ordinary duties of life. Now, what a colossal opportunity is there to throw off these morbid feelings, and experience the joy of a night's rest, and the day's work, by securing a cure for this condition?

THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY THERAPION No. 3

that by its use the system is brought back to its normal condition, and the patient is enabled to do his work as usual, and to enjoy the health and vitality of a young man.

THE EXPIRING LAMP OF LIFE

LIGHTED UP AFRESH.

and a new entrance imparted in place of what had been a dark, narrow, and "tired up" and "worn out" condition. This wonderful medicine is purely vegetable and innocuous, is agreeable to the taste, and is suitable for all constitutions and conditions, in disease or debility, and it is difficult to imagine a case of those of debility, that we do not find a permanent remedy in this new French remedy, which is destined to cure the system of everything that had been a "tired up" and "worn out" condition, and to bring it back to its normal condition.

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Intimation.

Wm. Powell, Ltd.,
ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.

Ladies' Millinery Department.

THIS WEEK:

SPECIAL SHOW LADIES' MILLINERY.

Latest Shapes, Prevailing Styles.

NEW CREATIONS FROM PARIS AND LONDON.

Now Showing in the Millinery Department.

Wm. Powell, Ltd.,
Des Vœux Road, and 28, Queen's Road, HONGKONG

11th Apr., 23rd March, 1908

Public Companies

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FIFTY-FIFTH ORDINARY MEETING of the SOCIETY will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 23rd April, 1908, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1907, and of declaring Dividends, &c.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 13th April to the 23rd April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary.
Hongkong, 26th March, 1908. [355]

THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 23rd April, 1908, at 12.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with Statements of Account to the 31st December, 1907, and of declaring Dividends, &c.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 9th April to the 23rd April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary.
Hongkong, 26th March, 1908. [356]

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. ALEXANDER GEORGE WOOD in our firm in Hongkong and China ceased on 31st March, 1908.

Mr. JOHN WHITE COOPER BONNAR was admitted a Partner in our firm in Hongkong and China on this date.

Mr. CHARLES GORDON STEWART MACKIE is authorized to sign our firm per Procuration in Hongkong and China from this date.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1908. [383]

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. JAMES ORANGE in our firm Ceased this day.

LEIGH & ORANGE.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1908. [377]

NOTICE.

MR. ALBERT EDWIN GRIFFIN, Assoc. M. Inst. C.E., is from May 1st, 1908, admitted a Partner in our firm, which will continue to carry on the business of Civil Engineers, Architects and Surveyors as heretofore, under the style of LEIGH & ORANGE.

LEIGH & ORANGE.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1908. [378]

INTERNATIONAL SLEEPING CAR

and

EXPRESS TRAINS CO.

(THE

GREAT TRANS-SIBERIAN ROUTE

TO EUROPE.)

HAVING been appointed AGENTS for

the above Company, we shall be

pleased to give any information as to rates of

passage, &c., in connection with above.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.

Agents.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1908. [47]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

In Casks of 375 lbs. net \$5.00 per Cask

ex Factory

In Bags of 50 lbs. net \$3.00 per Bag

ex Factory

SHEWAN TOMES & Co.,

General Managers.

H. K. 22nd, 3rd October, 1907. [52]

A WONDERFUL DISCOVERY.

This is the great French discovery, when

all nations, so to speak, are attacked by the

terrible disease of the stomach, which has

indeed made great strides during the past

century, and among them on no more important

discovery in medicine comes that of

BURGLARY AT A YOKOHAMA HOTEL.

COMPLAINTS OF POLICE DELATORINESS.

In the early hours of yesterday morning, says the *Japan Herald* of the 23rd ult., a burglar broke into the premises of the Waverley Hotel at No. 88, Main Street, Yokohama, on two occasions. His first visit, however, was a short one and was unproductive of results, for shortly after entering the premises the man was seen by one of the hotel "boys," who grappled with him in the hope of securing his arrest. The man, however, managed to wrench himself from the boy's grasp and got into the street before the alarm could be raised.

Not content with his first visit, the man returned to the premises about a quarter after three, when one of the guests, Mr. F. J. H. Baker (of Messrs. Kelly & Walsh), was awakened by the noise of someone moving in his room. Mr. Baker quietly watched the movements of the intruder who searched the pockets of clothes lying near the bed and also investigated the contents of a cupboard near by. The man left the room, but again returned to find that Mr. Baker was awake. The intruder at once made a dash for the door, and running down stairs got into the yard. Mr. Baker, putting on his slippers, followed the man, and managed to grab him by the leg as he climbed the wall to escape. The latter, however, broke one of the panes of the fence and struck Mr. Baker across the arms and legs, leaving several bruises, and at the same time smashed several panes of glass on the verandah. Mr. Baker was unable to secure the thief, and as his shouts for assistance were not heard by the other occupants of the hotel, the visitor got safely away carrying with him a pink shirt, several papers, and some cash belonging to Mr. Baker.

On Sunday morning Mr. Baker reported the incident to the police authorities, who promised to attend to the matter, but it was not until one o'clock on Monday that a detective arrived at the hotel to investigate. Such a display of inactivity on the part of the police, says our Yokohama contemporary, is, to say the least, not very eloquent testimony of the desire of the force to put a stop to these frequent burglaries, and can only stimulate the burglarious fraternity in making further visits similar to the one reported. By this time the thief may be in Kobe. This is not the first time the police have shown dilatoriness in investigating thefts reported to them by foreigners—two cases having come to our contemporary's notice within the last few weeks where over twelve hours elapsed between a report being made and the arrival of a police official, with the result that those who have lost property have heard nothing of their goods or of the arrest of the offenders.

COMMERCIAL.

FRIGHT MARKET.

In their fortnightly report dated 4th inst., Messrs. Lamb & Co. write:—The freight market during the fortnight under review has not been of much importance and rates have generally been far from satisfactory from owners' point of view. As to coal freight, predicted advance in rates has now at last taken place as we whilst writing hear of offers for Japan-Canton at the good rate of \$2.70 per ton. Inquiry from Saigon to this port continues to be of a meagre description owing to the decline of the local rice market. After the last fixture of 15 cents per picul demand seems to have subsided and closing rate can only be quoted at 14 1/2 cents per picul. After a settlement of 30 cents per picul Newchwang-Canton for the first steamer in the season, rates have dropped and no better than 20 for smaller quantities can be quoted. A steamer secured 25,000 piculs from Newchwang and Tairen to Canton at 25 cents and we just hear of a fixture Newchwang-Canton for a part space at 26 cents. Saigon to Philippines:—A fixture at 25 cents for 26,000 piculs is reported and no further demand is traceable. Freight from Java continue dull and there seems to be no room for any outside tonnage. Saigon to Japan:—Rumour has it that a larger-sized steamer has been fixed, but rate has not been disclosed so far. Bangkok to Hongkong:—A fixture of a handy steamer has taken place for 2 consecutive voyages at 30 1/2 cents, downward cargo free, owners granting exceptional long lay days. Also on both terms 2 steamers are reported to have found employment. Coal freights:—The following charters are on record:—Pulo Laut to Kolsichang at \$3.—Hongkong to Hongkong at \$1.40. Haiphong to Canton at \$1.90. Moji to Hongkong at \$1.40. Wakamatsu to Canton at \$1.25.—Demand still continues but suitable tonnage remains scarce. Time Charters:—The German Str. Landrat chief has found employment for 6 months in the Mexican cooler trade. Sail Tonnage loading or to load:—None. Sail Tonnage Disengaged:—None. Departure of Sallers:—None.

50 PER CENT LESS.

WE WILL SELL OUR ENTIRE STOCK OF BICYCLES and ACCESSORIES

at 50 % less than usual prices for one week only,

to clear our old stock

and make room for our

new shops at Nos. 33 &

35, Des Vœux Road.

Begin from TUESDAY, the 3rd

MARCH.

Remember we will Remove to our

Shops on the 7th inst.

DRAGON CYCLE DEPOT.

11, D'AGUIAR ST.

(Hongkong, 2nd March, 1908.)

PLenty TO EAT, BUT STARVING.

THAT IS THE CONDITION OF MANY PEOPLE

AFFLICTED WITH STOMACH TROUBLES;

THE LITTLE THEY EAT DOES THEM

NO GOOD, THEIR SYSTEMS ARE

STARVED FOR WANT OF

NOURISHMENT.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills

HAVE CURED THOUSANDS OF SUCH

SUFFERERS.

HERE IS THE EXPERIENCE OF A BANK

CLERK AT BATAVIA.

Mr. Charles Jeremias, a Clerk of the

Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,

Batavia, Java, makes the following statement:

In the hope that it will prove helpful to readers

of this paper, who may be afflicted with the

ailments which once so severely troubled him,

"About three years ago I was suffering from

"The European doctors I consulted said that I had Catarrh of the Stomach, but although I was taking their medicines for some time I obtained only temporary relief. I had splitting headaches, bad dreams, and always felt worn out when getting up in the morning. My appetite was very poor, and often after my morning meal I was overcome with dizziness and saw sparks flying in the air.

"This state of things had gone on for some time, and was sadly interfering with my work in the office, when one day I read in a newspaper of a wonderful cure by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I gave these Pills a trial, and after using four bottles of them I found my appetite improved wonderfully, my stomach relaxed to sound working order, and all the pains which had caused me so much suffering, gone. Since my cure by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills three years ago the pains have never returned, and I have been in the best of health."

Not only for Stomach Complaints but for all disorders caused by a weak, debilitated, or impure state of the blood, Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are the proved remedy. The action of these Pills is direct on the blood, they make the blood rich, red and good, and then the blood, in its turn, drives the poisons which cause disease out of the system. Testimony proves that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have cured almost countless cases of Anæmia (weak watery blood), Debility, Nervous Breakdown, Early Decay, Indigestion, Liver Complaint, Malaria, Rheumatism, Paralysis, Beri-Beri, disorders of the skin such as Eczema, Scrofula, Pimples, Boils, and the after-effects of Fevers, Dysentery and Chills. Women all over the world know how good they are for the special ailments of their sex; and men broken down by overwork, residence in an unhealthy climate, or by other causes are speedily restored by their use. Obtainable at most shops where medicines are sold, and from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Singapore, who send 6 bottles for \$8/- or 1 bottle for \$1.50 post free to any address.

Intimations.

WANTED.

TWO Qualified MEDICAL OFFICERS

with British Qualifications.

Apply to—

Dr. D. R. P. PAUL,

China Commercial Steamship

Company,

Between 10 and 12 a.m. and 2 to 4 p.m.

No. 1, Hotel Mansions.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1908. [381]

MUSIC LESSON.

LESSONS in Violin, Mandoline and Guitar

at pupil's residence.

Evening engagements for Dances and

Concerts.

Apply to—

E. J. LOPES,

C/o Hongkong Telegraph Office.

Hongkong, 9th March, 1908. [32]

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(Hongkong, 2nd March, 1908.)

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions

to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,

TO-MORROW,

the 7th April, 1908, at 11 A.M., at their

Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vœux Road,

corner of Ice House Street,

SUNDY

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

ALSO

A Quantity of TOYS,

AND

One 12-BORE DOUBLE-BARRELLED

HAMMERLESS SPORTING GUN, by A.

Allen, Glasgow.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1908. [392]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions

from The Registrar, Supreme Court,

to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

on

WEDNESDAY,

the 8th April, 1908, at 11 A.M., at No. 4,

Observatory Villas, Kowloon,

SUNDY VALUABLE

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

ALSO

One COTTAGE PIANO.

(Particulars from Catalogue).

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1908. [394]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions

from C. H. GRACE, Esq., to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

on

FRIDAY,

the 10th April, 1908, at 2.30 P.M., at The "La

Hacienda," 74, The Peak,

SUNDY VALUABLE

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Comprising:—

TAPESTRY-COVERED DRAWING

ROOM SUITE, TEAKWOOD EXTEN-

SION DINING TABLE and CHAIRS,

MOROCCO-COVERED ARM CHAIRS,

TEAKWOOD SIDEBOARD with BEVELLED

GLASS, GLASS and CROCKERY

WARE, MARBLE-TOP WASHSTANDS,

CHEST-OF-DRAWERS, TEAKWOOD

Consignees.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"PRINZ. WALDEMAR,"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby

informed that their Goods, with the exception

of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being

landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns

and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hong-

kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Com-

pany, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery

may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods

have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-

ing undelivered after the 9th inst. will be

subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are

to be left in the Godowns, where they will be

examined on the 9th of April, at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 13th of

April, 1908, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the

Undersigned.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD,

MELCHERS & Co.,

Intimation.



A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

THE GREAT POPULARITY

Watson's

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VERY OLD LIQUEUR

SCOTCH WHISKY

HAS BEEN ATTAINED BY ITS Consistent Excellence

Quality.

IT IS A

PURE MALT WHISKY

OF

GENUINE AGE

AND

FINE MELLOW FLAVOUR.

Per Case - - - \$16.50

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED,

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.

Hongkong, 9th March, 1908.

BIRTH.

On March 29, 1908, at the Hague, Holland, the wife of J. I. van Laer, of a son, WILLIAM HENRI.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, APRIL 6, 1908.

THE WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

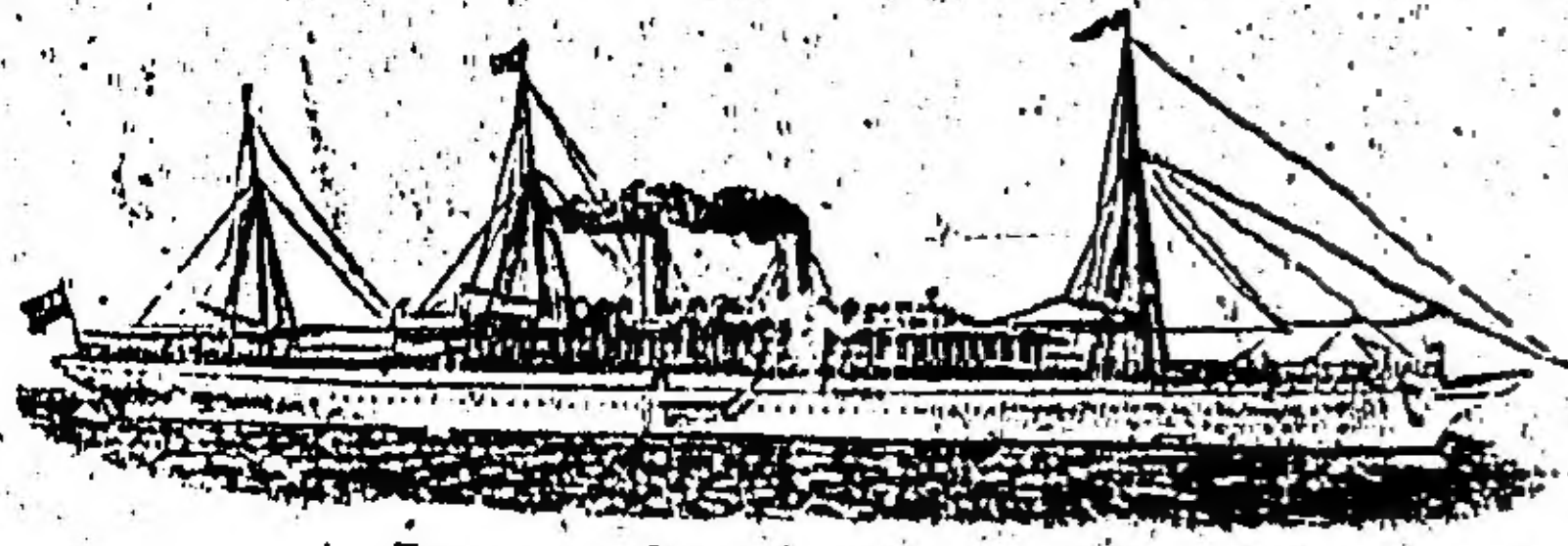
Since the news appears in the *Government Gazette* that a new official has been appointed on the directorate of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund, established for the benefit of the survivors of officers who have died in the service of the Government, it may not be deemed inopportune to refer once again to this Fund. As all readers are aware, the constitution of the Fund seems with anomalies—bachelors are taxed for the benefit of the children they have no intention of getting. Widows have to tramp twenty or thirty miles in order to collect the paltry \$5 or \$5 which may annually be due to them. When Sir Matthew Nathan was Governor, strenuous efforts were made by the Government to sweep the Fund into oblivion by incorporating it with the General Revenue. That is not to say the principle of the Fund would be abolished; the only difference would be that instead of having an annual balance-sheet to produce, the Government would simply show a gross amount amid all the intricacies of the revenue returns. And it is little wonder that the Government should seek to conceal the actual state of the Fund and absorb the money into the Colonial Treasury, for the outgoings are so infinitesimal as compared with the receipts that were the Fund to be continued for any length of time on its present basis there is no doubt the revenue would swell to such a height that there could be an old age pension for every one in the Colony derived from the interest alone. In the time of Sir Matthew Nathan, when every manoeuvre conceivable was being performed and every scheme hatched with the object of securing the absorption of the Fund, the amount of the credit of the Fund stood at something like \$200,000. To-day that sum has increased to over \$318,000, so that it will be recognised at once what a valuable nest egg this should be for the Government, and explains their anxiety to get hold of it and employ its funds for purposes other than those originally contemplated. Out of that amount all that is paid out in the way of pensions to widows

while a miserable \$70 is laid aside for orphans. The total income and balance last year was \$325,747, out of which only some \$7,000 was spent altogether in pensions, expenses of management, printing and other matters of detail. The remainder was left in the hands of the Government and there it will be jealously retained while it continues to expand with each successive year. Assuming that the Fund were invested at a modest five per cent. per annum, the interest would amount to \$15,000 which would easily cover all expenses and leave a satisfactory balance in the pockets of the Government. So keen have the efforts of the Government been to sweep the Fund out of existence that it is practically certain a further and more drastic attempt will be made at no distant date to secure possession of the Fund and to swallow up the credit balance and the contributions. It is a known fact that the Government have hard pushed to find the revenue to meet the current and necessary expenditure of the Colony, and there is the ever-present fear that the end of our financial difficulties is far from being in sight yet. Indeed, the probability is that we are only on the outer rim of the vortex and have still to experience the real peril of the financial whirl. Be that as it may, the Government look with a hungry eye on this ever-expanding balance, and it is not beyond reason to believe that the Secretary of State for the Colonies watches the Fund with a wolfish glare. For that reason, it is to be expected that another effort will be made to secure the \$318,000 and to administer the scheme through the ordinary official channel, without the distinction of separate identity. Should that attempt be made, we may be certain that it will be carried to a successful conclusion and that the Widows' and Orphans' Fund as a Fund will become a thing of the past. In that event, while the Government are at their fell work they might find occasion to consider the grievances of bachelors and widows in having compulsorily to contribute to the maintenance of the Fund, as it stands at present, without being allowed a voice in its management and without the prospect of receiving back more than a tithe of the amount deducted from their salaries. It is perfectly true that on the retirement of the parties mentioned from the official world they receive back one-half of what they have contributed but the Government retain the remainder, so that the bachelor is penalised because of his failure to marry, while the widower is penalised because he had no children to carry on the succession. It is a most anomalous and unfair procedure and should be abolished simultaneously with the abolition of the Fund. We find that the average monthly contributions amount to nearly \$3,000 and that the number of those who receive pensions is 37. The actual interest derived from the investment of the Fund last year was \$17,000 and it is likely to be nearly double that amount this year. It is therefore quite obvious that the Government are in a position to give heed to the grievance of the 215 bachelors and 13 widows who are mulcted in the same amount or, at all events, at the same rate as the 386 married men who are on the list. It would be a simple act of justice which we have not the slightest doubt would prove immensely popular especially with the poorly paid members of the police force.

HONGKONG CIVIL SERVANTS' CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY.

We have been favoured with a copy of the third report and balance sheet of that egregious body described as the Hongkong Civil Service Co-operative Society, Limited, which is a combine formed by members of the Civil Service of the Colony to compete against the legitimate traders in Hongkong. It has its own establishment, where groceries are served out to members, who seek to harm the very people who contribute towards their salaries by withholding their custom. We have not yet been able to fathom how the Civil Servants managed in the first instance to overcome the difficulty set forth in the Rules and Regulations of the Service, which declare that: "All salaried Public Officers are prohibited from engaging in trade or connecting themselves with any commercial undertaking without leave from the Governor approved by the Secretary of State." If such permission were applied for by the Civil Servants we do not remember hearing that His Excellency the Governor had granted it, or that it had been approved by the Secretary of State. Presumably, however, it had official sanction seeing that Dr. Francis Clark is the chairman of directors, while the other members of the Board are nearly all well known Civil Servants. From the report for the half year the sales amounted to \$22,426 as compared with \$6,531 for the first three months of the year, but whether the latter means the first three months of 1907 or 1908 we cannot tell. The profit is stated at \$2,323 and the directors recommend a dividend at the rate of ten per cent. per annum. Turning to the accounts we are brought face to face with a system of book-keeping which verges on the miraculous. In fact, we should like to see the accounts of the Civil Servants' Co-operative Society, Limited, for the year ending 31st December, 1907, and for the year ending 31st December, 1908, and for the year ending 31st December, 1909, and for the year ending 31st December, 1910, and for the year ending 31st December, 1911, and for the year ending 31st December, 1912, and for the year ending 31st December, 1913, and for the year ending 31st December, 1914, and for the year ending 31st December, 1915, and for the year ending 31st December, 1916, and for the year ending 31st December, 1917, and for the year ending 31st December, 1918, and for the year ending 31st December, 1919, and for the year ending 31st December, 1920, and for the year ending 31st December, 1921, and for the year ending 31st December, 1922, and for the year ending 31st December, 1923, and for the year ending 31st December, 1924, and for the year ending 31st December, 1925, and for the year ending 31st December, 1926, and 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"EMPEROR OF JAPAN".....6,000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, April 22nd
"EMPEROR OF CHINA".....6,000 Tons	THURSDAY, May 7th
"EMPEROR OF RUSSIA".....6,000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, May 20th
"EMPEROR OF AUSTRIA".....6,000 Tons	THURSDAY, June 4th
"EMPEROR OF GERMANY".....6,000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, June 17th
"EMPEROR OF ITALY".....6,000 Tons	THURSDAY, June 30th
"EMPEROR OF SPAIN".....6,000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, July 13th
"EMPEROR OF PORTUGAL".....6,000 Tons	THURSDAY, July 26th
"EMPEROR OF GREECE".....6,000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, August 8th
"EMPEROR OF TURKEY".....6,000 Tons	THURSDAY, August 21st
"EMPEROR OF SERBIA".....6,000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, September 3rd
"EMPEROR OF ROMANIA".....6,000 Tons	THURSDAY, September 16th
"EMPEROR OF BELGIUM".....6,000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, September 29th
"EMPEROR OF HOLLAND".....6,000 Tons	THURSDAY, October 12th
"EMPEROR OF DENMARK".....6,000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, October 25th
"EMPEROR OF NORWAY".....6,000 Tons	THURSDAY, November 7th
"EMPEROR OF SWEDEN".....6,000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, November 20th
"EMPEROR OF FINLAND".....6,000 Tons	THURSDAY, December 3rd

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(PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

For	Steamship	On
SHANGHAI	"KONGSANG"	WEDNESDAY, 8th April, Noon.
TIENTSIN	"CHEUNG SHING"	WEDNESDAY, 8th April, Noon.
SGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"FOO SANG"	FRIDAY, 10th April, 3 P.M.
MANILA	"LOONGSANG"	FRIDAY, 10th April, 4 P.M.
MANILA	"YUE SANG"	FRIDAY, 7th April, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	"KUTSANG"	FRIDAY, 1st May, Noon.

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SHANGHAI	"KIUKIANG"	9th "
NINGPO & SHANGHAI	"PAOTING"	9th "
HOIHOW & HAIPHONG	"SINGAN"	11th " 9 A.M.
AMOY, MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	"KAIFONG"	11th " 4 P.M.
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RUBI.....	2540	Almond	MANILA VIA AMOY	FRIDAY, 10th April, at 4 P.M.
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Steamship	To sail
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Hongkong, 6th March, 1908.

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Shipping—Steamers.

THE AMERICAN AND ORIENTAL LINE.

FOR NEW YORK.
(With Liberty to Call at Malabar Coast).

THE Steamship

"TUDOR PRINCE,"
Captain Macdonnell, will leave for the above Ports, on or about TUESDAY, 21st April.
For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 11th March, 1908. [309]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,
(Calling at Port Darwin, and Queensland Ports, and taking through Cargo to Adelaide, New Zealand, Tasmania, &c.)

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"EMPIRE,"
Captain Helms, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 25th April, at Noon.
This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.
The Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.
A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.
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For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 30th March, 1908. [376]

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Steamer	Tons.	Captain.	Sailing.
"Kumakura"	6,232	Cowley	14th May.
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For further information, apply to
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
General Agents.
Queen's Buildings.
Hongkong, 18th March, 1908. [19-20]

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REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE.

BETWEEN
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AND
IQUIQUE via JAPAN PORTS
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Steamers	Tons	To sail
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Taking Freight and Passengers to other Eastern and Western Coast ports of South America in connection with Steamers of the Pacific S. N. Co.
For further information as to Freight and Passage, apply to
K. MATSUDA,
Manager,
York Building.
Hongkong, 6th April, 1908. [18]

STEAM TO CANTON.

THE New Twin Screw Steel Steamers

"KWONG TUNG".....Capt. H. W. WALKER.
"KWONG SAI".....Capt. E. S. CROWE.

Leave Hongkong for Canton at 9 P.M. every evening, (Saturday excepted).
Leave Canton for Hongkong at 5.30 every evening, (Sunday excepted).
These Five New Steamers have unexcelled accommodation for First Class Passengers and are lit throughout by Electricity. Electric Fans in First Class Cabins.

Passage Fare—Single Journey.....\$4.
Meals.....\$1.25 each.

The Company's Wharf is situated in front of the New Western Market, opposite the old Harbour Office.

YUEN ON & CO., LD.,
and
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No. 5, Queen's Road West.
Hongkong, 1st July, 1907.

Shipping—Steamers.

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(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.)

THE Steamship

"MALTA,"
Captain C. H. S. Todd, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this Office for BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY, the 18th April, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports in connection with the Company's S.S. "Himalaya," 7,000 tons, from Colombo. Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.
Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the Mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. "Calcutta," due in London on 30th May, 1908.
Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.
For further Particulars, apply to
F. J. AUBOTT,
Acting Superintendent.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1908. [7]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"LIGHTNING,"
Captain A. E. Gosses, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 7th April, at 3 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON & Co., LIMITED,
Agents.
Hongkong, 6th April, 1908. [386]

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE
TO NEW YORK,
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(With Liberty to Call at Malabar Coast).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR BOSTON AND NEW YORK.
S.S. "WRAY CASTLE"..... 7th April, 1908.
S.S. "SIKH"..... 28th April, 1908.

For Freight and further Information, apply to
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
Agents.
Hongkong, 3rd April, 1908. [306]

Intimations.

WHERE ARE
YOU GOING?

WHY, TO CHAZALON & CO.,

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Where I am sure to find the best
FRENCH BONBONS,
LIQUEURS,
BURGUNDY,
BORDEAUX,
CHAMPAGNE
and
CLARET.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1908. [53]

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ONE MONTH..... 30

Attendance at Patients' Residence.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1908. [379]

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THE MANAGER,
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Hongkong, 10th September, 1907.

HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

Corrected 3rd April, 1908, per 5 Mts.

BUTCHER MEAT.

Qnals.

Beef sirloin & prime cut—Mei Lung Pa B	19
" Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk	19
" Roast—Shiu	19
" Breast—Ngau Lam	19
" Soup, Tong Yuk	15
" Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa	19
" Siftain—Ngau Lau	18
" Sausages—Ngau Yuk Chung	26
Bullock's Brains—Know	per set
" Tongue fresh—Ngau Li	each
" Corned—Ham Ngau Li	55
" Head—Ngau Tau	85
" Heart—Ngau Sum	per lb
" Hump Salt—Ngau Kin	19
" Feet—Ngau Keok	each
" Kidneys—Ngau Yiu	10
" Tail—Ngau Mei	17
" Liver—Ngau Con	12
" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To	7
Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-chai-tan-keok	per set
Mutton Chop—Young Pai Kwat	22
" Leg—Young Pei	22
" Shoulder—Young Shau	20
Pigs' Chiddings—Chi cheong	23
" Brains—Chi Know	per set
" Feet—Chi Keok	12
" Fry—Chi Chik	15
" Head—Chi Tau	18
" Heart—Chi Sum	each
" Kidneys—Chi Yiu	pair
" Liver—Chi Kon	28
Pork Chop—Chi Pai Kwat	23
" Corned—Ham Chu Yuk	23
" Leg—Chu Pei	23
" Fat or Lard—Chu Yau	18
Sheep's Head and Feet—Young Tau	50
" Keok	50
" Heart—Young Sum	each
" Kidneys—Young Yiu	10
" Liver—Young Con	23
Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chu Chai	22
Suet Beef—Sang Ngau Yau	20
" Mutton—Sang Young Yau	24
Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk	20
" Sausages—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong	20

POULTRY.

Chicken—Kai Chai	25
Capon, Large, Small—Sin Kai	25
Ducks—Ap	25
Doves—Pan Kai	each
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan	per doz.
Fowls, Canton—Kai	each
" Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai	32
Geese—Nge	32
Goose, Wild Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Ye	19
" Nge	pair
Musk Deer—Wong Kedg	each
Hare—Tu Chai	60
Partridge—Che Khoo	each
Pheasant—Shan Kai	pair
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kup	each
" Hoihow—Hoihow Pak Kup	27
Quail—Um Chun	22
Rice Birds—Wo Fa Cheuk	dozen
Saipe—Sa Chai	each
Turkeys, Cock—Fo Kai Kung	per lb
" Hen—Na	45
Wild Ducks, Shanghai, Sulap	pair
Teal, Shanghai, Sulap	pair
Wild Ducks Canton—Sang Shing, Sulap	per pair \$1.30

FISH.

Barbel—Ka Yu	10
Bream—Bin Yu	14
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu	14
Carp—Li Yu	18
Catfish—Chik Yu	23
Codfish—Mun Yu	14
Crabs—Hai	13
Cuttle Fish—Muk Yu	13
Dab—Sa Maug Yu	14
Dace—Wong Mei Lun	11
Dog Fish—Ti Tu Sa	8
Eels, Congor—Hoi Man Yu	14
" Fresh water—Tam Sul Yu	14
" Yellow—Wong Sin	24
Frogs—Tien Kai	28
Garoupa—Sok Pan	46
Gudgeon—Pak Kup Yu	12
Herrings—Tso Pak	20
Halibut—Cheung Kwan Yu	27
Labrus—Wong Fa Yu	14
Loach—Wu Yu	28
Lobsters—Lung Ha	28
Mackerel—Chi Yu	16
Monk Fish—Mon Yu	24
Mullet—Chai Yu	24
Oysters—Sang Hoo	27
Parrotfish—Kai Kung Yu	14
Perch—Tan Loo	14
Pike—Fa Paw Poong	18
Plaice—Pan Yu	18
Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong	28
Pomfret, White—Pak Chong	24
Prawns—Ming Ha	24
Ray—Pei Pa Sa	9
Rock Fish—Sok Kan Kung	24
Salmon, (Crown), Freshwater—Ma Yu	24
" Yellow—Ma Yu	24

Centre.

Shark—Sa Yu	0
Skate—Fo Yu	10
Shrimps—Ha	28
Snapper—Lap Yu	22
Soles—Ta Sa Yu	24
Tench—Wan Yu	18
Turbot—Cho Hoi Yu	23
Turtles, small, fresh water—Keok Yu	56
White Bait—Ngau Yu Chai	—

FRUITS.

Almond—Hung Yan	24
Apples, (California)—Kam San Ping	—
" (Chefoo)—Tin Chun Ping	—
" Small—Hoi Tong	24
" Custard—Fan Lai Chi	—
Bananas, fragrant, Canton—Sang Shing	3
" (brides), Macao—San Heung Chiu	—
Chestnuts, Chinese—Foong Lut	10
Carambola—Young Tot	—
Cocoanuts—Yeh Tai	10
Grapes—Sin Tai Tai	25
Lemons, China—Ning Moong	7
" Amer.—Kum San Ning Moong	20
Liches, Small Stone—Lai Chi Con	—
" Fresh, Lai Chi	—
Limes, (Saigon)—Sai Kung Ning Moong	7
Mango, Manila—Lui Sang Moong	25
Mango, Saigon—Sai Kung Moong	—
Mangosteens, San Chuk Tsz	doz.
Oranges, Tin Chang	6
" Small—Tai Kut	—
" Mandarin—Tin Kut	—
Olives—Pak Lam	8
Passion Fruit	each
Pears, (American)—Kam San Shut Li B	—
" (Canton), Cooking—Sa Li	12
" (Shanghai)—Sheung Hoi Li	18
Peanuts, Fa Sang	10
Persimmons, Large—Hung Chie	—
Pine-apples, 1st quality—Sheung Pong	10
" 2nd cooking—Chung-tang	—
" Paw-law	7
Platians—Tai Chiu	3
Plums, Swatow—Hung Lai	—
Pumelo, Siam—Chim Lo Yau	18
Walnuts, Hop Tou	12
" Green—Sang Hop Tou	—
Shanghai Lo Kwat	—

VEGETABLES, &c.

Artichokes, Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Ah	6
Chi Chank	—

HOW WHISKY IS MADE.

EVIDENCE BEFORE THE ROYAL COMMISSION.

Malt, Unmalted grain (maize, barley, oats, rye and a little wheat), Rice, Molasses, Glucose, Sugar, Tapioca, Bran, and Malt Comings.

This is not a housekeeper's list from the grocer and corn merchant. It is simply a statement made last month before the Royal Commission on Whisky, by Mr. Arthur John Tedder, Chief Inspector of Excise, of the kind of materials used in the manufacture of the spirit in the United Kingdom.

"It is a large list," remarked Mr. Laurence N. Guillemard, C.B., the deputy chairman of the Board of Inland Revenue, in a tone that might almost have been taken for surprise, "and I conclude that there is no legal restriction as to the materials from which the spirit can be manufactured."

Mr. Tedder agreed that Mr. Guillemard's conclusion was correct. Mr. Tedder is a man of middle age, with thick iron grey moustache, essentially business-like and methodical. He had come to the proceedings armed with a great number of documents and statistics on whisky, his papers being piled on a square table, at which he sits, before the row of severely sedate scientific and medical gentlemen of whom the Commission is chiefly composed.

In the centre of this row of Commissioners is the distinguished figure of Lord James of Hereford, with its crown of this silver hair. Mr. Guillemard, who examines the witnesses, sits at his lordship's right hand. He is a clean-shaven man, and has the appearance of being the youngest member of the Commission. Before him lies a list of fifty or more leading questions to put to the witness, whom he examines with all the experience of counsel.

The proceedings are taking place in the largest public room at the Westminster Palace Hotel, a spacious and lofty apartment with large windows mainly curtained with lace, tables covered with rich dark blue cloth, a cheery fire, and bright mouldings in copper and silver and glass of pot and patent stills.

It is to these models that the witness turns now and again to explain certain points that are raised, and, in addition, the Commissioners are furnished with sketches and plans with which they are able to follow still more closely the technical parts of his evidence.

WHAT THE COMMISSION WANTS TO KNOW.

The character of Mr. Tedder's evidence was indicated by Mr. Guillemard at the opening of the proceedings. The sort of information the Commission want to hear as a preliminary step, he said, is—

1. What the different spirits are;
2. What materials they are made from;
3. What are the processes of manufacture; and
4. Taking the finished product, what supervision is exercised by the Excise from the manufacture right through to the consumer.

The questions which were then put to Mr. Tedder were such as enabled him to follow these proposed lines and evidence pretty closely.

Millions of figures were the beginning of the evidence. Fifty millions of gallons of proof spirit being, it was elicited, the quantity made in a year, and £17,000,000 the amount of duty paid. Then the witness gave the number of distilleries:—

England—8 (3 pot still and 5 patent), Scotland—150 (137 pot still, 3 pot and patent, and 10 patent).

Ireland—27 (18 pot still, 7 pot and patent, and 2 patent).

As to the materials used in the manufacture, which are quoted at the beginning of this report, the following further information was given as to the quantities employed, namely:—

Malt, 1,143,970 quarters, Unmalted grain, 1,365,975 quarters, Other materials, 15,034 cwt.

From malt, Mr. Tedder said, the spirit produced is 161 gallons per quarter, from unmalted grain 20 gallons, from sugar, topinaca, and rice 74 gallons per cwt., from sugar to gallons, from molasses 6, and from glucose over 8 gallons.

"I conclude there is no legal restriction of materials from which spirit may be made," observed Mr. Guillemard—"None so long as the gravity can be ascertained" was the reply.

Mr. Guillemard: That being a purely Revenue consideration?—Yes.

What is the control of the Excise authorities over the material used?—We exercise no control whatever except in regard to molasses, and only then because there is a Customs duty on molasses.

At a specially convened meeting of distillers and blenders of the North of Ireland held at Belfast on Saturday, to consider the situation created by the appointment of the Whisky Commission the following resolution was unanimously passed:—"That this meeting, notwithstanding statements to the contrary, has never raised any objection to the personnel of the Royal Commission, and is willing to give evidence or otherwise assist as the Commission may desire."

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

German (York) 7th inst., p.m.
Indian (Lahore) 8th inst.
Americo (China) 14th inst.

The German s.s. *Borneo* left Sandakan on 4th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on 10th inst., a.m.

The M. M. Co.'s s.s. *Australis*, with the French mail of the 15th ult., and mails from London of the 14th ult., will leave Singapore on 10th inst., at 1 p.m., and may be expected to arrive here on 11th inst., and will leave for Shanghai and Japan on the same afternoon.

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.	
London—Bank T.T.	100/10 7/16
Do. demand	100/10 1/10
Do. 4 months' sight	100/10 1/10
France—Bank T.T.	235
America—Bank T.T.	451
India T.T.	141
Do. demand	142
Shanghai—Bank T.T.	74 1/2
Singapore—Bank T.T.	33 1/2 prem.
Japan—Bank T.T.	97 1/2
100—Bank T.T.	112 1/2

Buying.	
1 months' sight L/C.	100/10 1/10
4 months' sight L/C.	100/10 1/10
10 days' sight San Francisco & New York	46 1/2
1 months' sight do.	47 1/2
10 days' sight Sydney and Melbourne	11 3/16
1 months' sight France	24 1/2
6 months' sight	24 3/4
4 months' sight Germany	107
Bar Silver	25 7/16
Bank of England rate	3 1/2
Sovereign	50/50

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Director of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 6th at 11.35 a.m.—The barometer has fallen rapidly in E. Japan owing to the depression which is moving towards N.E. in the neighbourhood of Hakodate.

Pressure has increased over China, particularly in the North. It is highest over N. China, and still relatively low over S.W. China and Tongking.

Fresh N.E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel, and fresh S.E. to E. winds over the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending 10 a.m., 10-day, 1.32 inches.

FORECAST.

- 1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood, E. winds, freshening; squally, showery.
- 2.—Formosa Channel, N.E. winds, fresh.
- 3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamou, same as No. 1.
- 4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, same as No. 1.

Shipping.

Arrivals.

Chingtu, Br. s.s., 2,260, W. B. Brown, 4th April, Sydney 11th Mar., and Manila 22nd April, Gen.—B. & S.	
Ghaize, Br. s.s., 3,125, D. A. Cave, 4th April, Singapore 30th Mar., Gen.—D. & Co., Ltd.	
Achilles, Br. s.s., 4,484, R. C. Thompson, 5th April, Liverpool 22nd Feb., and Singapore 31st Mar., Gen.—B. & S.	
Wray Castle, Br. s.s., 1,177, McDowell, 5th April, Shanghai 1st April, Japanese Curious 1st Gen.—B. & S.	
Fiume, Ger. s.s., 838, R. Wegner, 5th April, Tourane 2nd April, Gen.—S. W. & Co.	
Bangkuk, Ger. s.s., 1,237, E. Klimmet, 5th April, Bangkok 20th Mar., Gen.—B. & S.	
Kwangtai, Ch. s.s., 1,426, Wm. H. Hunt, 5th April, Shanghai 2nd April, Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.	
Amigo, Ger. s.s., 822, Frandsen, 5th April, Haiphong 1st April, and Pohnoe 4th, Rice and Gen.—J. & Co.	
Telemachus, Br. s.s., 1,409, J. Williamson, 5th April, Saigon 1st April, Gen.—W. & Co.	
Kiukiang, Br. s.s., 1,328, H. A. Wavell, 5th April, Shanghai 2nd April, Gen.—B. & S.	
Tosa Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,010, J. Nagao, 5th April, Seattle, via Victoria, Japan and Shanghai 2nd April, Flour and Gen.—N. Y. K.	
Hongkong, Fr. s.s., 742, A. Cornelissen, 5th April, Haiphong and Hoihow 2nd April, Pigs and Gen.—R. M.	
Levanio, Ital. s.s., 2,872, G. Belisio, 5th April, Singapore 31st April, Gen.—C. & Co.	
Nettie, Dut. s.s., 1,453, Winters, 5th April, Swatow 31st Mar., Ballast—A. P. & Co.	
Chiyuen, Ch. s.s., 1,178, G. Stewart, 5th April, Canton 4th April, Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.	
Pak Ling, Br. s.s., 2,995, G. Rodway, 6th April, Yokohama 24th Mar., and Shanghai 2nd April, Gen.—B. & S.	
Toosan, Ch. s.s., 900, A. A. Crawford, 6th April, Shanghai 2nd April, Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.	
Kwongsoag, Br. s.s., 1,247, W. P. Pater, 6th April, Canton 5th April, Gen.—J. M. & Co.	
Kita Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,617, R. Ito, 6th April, from Moji, Coal—M. B. K.	
Bessie Doller, Br. s.s., 2,798, A. Gow, 6th April, Moji 31st Mar., Coal—A. K. & Co.	

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Lydia, for Kaban, (Tonquin) Kukuang, for Canton.	
Arval, for Tsingtau.	
Kwatoek, for Canton.	
Signal, for Haiphong.	
Wray Castle, for Manila.	
Nerite, for Shanghai.	
Rijuburi, for Swatow.	
Patling, for Singapore.	
Chunung, for Singapore.	
Achilles, for Shanghai.	
Langbank, for Shanghai.	

Departures.

Prins Waldemar, for Japan.	
Prins, for Swatow.	
Nankai, for Hongkong.	
Apollon, for Palembang.	
Nord, for Manchuria.	
Tavara, for Saigon.	
Jacob Diederichsen, for Swatow.	
Senal, for Haiphong.	
Rijuburi, for Haiphong.	
Chihli, for Bangkok.	
Kwatoek, for Canton.	
Kukuang, for Canton.	

April 6.

Entreresteaux, Fr. cruiser, for Shanghai.

Chunung, for Singapore.

Signal, for Shanghai.

Langbank, for Shanghai.

Per Chingtu, from Australian Ports—Messrs. Thompson, Farayth, Hall, Madden, Giesse, Peyton, Carter, Archer, Allen, Bowden, Master Addy, Messrs. Addy, Scott, Lamb, Austin, Campbell, Ratcliffe, Furniss, Best, Munro, Brashaw, McKelvie, Davies, Collins, McCarty, Foggie, Messdames Newell, Thompson, Peyton, Carter, and 2 children, Bowden, Addy, Gummow, Mansfield and child, Vidicon and 2 children, Galsand, and 10 Chinese.

Passengers departed.

Per Zofia, for Manila—Messrs. J. Haynes, O. Kaiser, Lim Eng Ho, Luis Lim Billan, Ong Po Yek, Mrs. C. P. S. J. Vy Sy Nio, Mr. Tu Chu Pong, Master Tu Chui Han, Mr. Un Hok Jue, Mr. and Mrs. Konig and infant, Messrs. G. Reddick, W. Murray, Lau Chu and Chow Li.

Shipping Reports.

Str. *Ghaize*, from Singapore—Light winds, smooth sea. Foggy.

Str. *Wray Castle*, from Shanghai—Almost continuous fog.

Str. *Telemachus*, from Saigon—Light winds and smooth sea fine weather throughout.

Str. *Achilles*, from Liverpool and Singapore—Heavy gale leaving England, heavy sea, struck vessel's upper beam; carrying away rigging ladder breaking all doors start side bridge deck.

Str. *Chingtu* from Australian Ports having called at Thursday 13 a.m. Borneo March 11th, and arrived Manila March 31st. The passage from Sydney to Brisbane was marked by heavy rain and the weather generally was of a cyclonic condition. From Brisbane fine weather was experienced right throughout the passage having on board as passenger the following.

VESSELS IN PORT.

Aeolus, Am. s.s., 11, E. Dixon, 18th Mar., Manila 9 a.m., and Currimao 15th, Sugar—Mr. Moxon.	
America Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,460, W. E. Filmer, 3rd April, San Francisco 3rd Mar., Honolulu 9th, Yokohama 22nd, Kobe 23rd, Nagasaki 25th, and Manila 1st April, Mails and Gen.—T. K. K.	
Chosung, Ger. s.s., 1,021, P. Bueking, 2nd April, Bangkok 24th Mar., Rice and Wood—B. & S.	
Dufferin, Br. transport, 3,666, Comdr. T. A. L. Berby, 3rd April, from Karachi and Singapore.	
Empress of India, Br. s.s., 3,032, E. Beetham, R.N.R., 9th Mar., Vancouver, (B.C.) 18th Feb., and Shanghai 6th Mar., Mails and Gen.—C. P. R. Co.	
Fukura Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,916, H. Sakamoto, 3rd April, Moji 28th Mar., Coal—M. B. K. G. K.	
Imanogashire, Br. s.s., 5,740, H. C. Norris, 1st Mar., from Kuchino, Coal—S. T. & Co.	
Haimaru, Br. s.s., 436, A. J. Robson, 3rd April, Fochow 31st Mar., Amoy 1st April, and Swatow 2nd, Gen.—D. L. & Co.	
Halvard, Nor. s.s., 1,066, R. Ronneberg, 24th Mar., Hongkong 22nd Mar., Coal—Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.	
Hilary, Ger. s.s., 1,276, H. Decker, 20th Mar., Saigon 15th Mar., Rice—Chinese.	
Holstein, Ger. s.s., 1,103, N. Niejahr, 2nd April, Canton 2nd April, Gen.—J. & Co.	
Lightning, Br. s.s., 3,064, A. E. Gentler, 24th Mar., Calcutta via Penang and Singapore 18th Mar., Gen.—D. S. & Co., Ltd.	
Loosok, Ger. s.s., 1,020, G. Schultze, 2nd Mar., Bangkok via Swatow 21st Mar., Rice and Wood—Yuen Fat Hong.	
Mailife, Ger. s.s., 831, A. Uderup, 3rd April, Haiphong and Hoihow 3rd April, Mails and Gen.—J. & Co.	
Merapi, Dut. s.s., 1,199, E. Uldall, 1st April, Singapore 24th Mar., Gen.—Kin Thay Loong.	
Minnesota, Am. s.s., 13,323, Chas. Austin, 1st April, Seattle via Port 22nd Mar., and Shanghai 30th, Gen.—N. Y. K.	
Monteagle, Br. s.s., 3,953, W. Davison, 31st Mar., Vancouver 31st Mar., and Shanghai 27th, Mails and Gen.—C. P. R. Co.	
Neumithlen, Ger. s.s., 1,930, H. Fischer, 29th Mar., Moji 23rd Mar., Coal—M. B. K.	
Oscar II, Nor. s.s., 1,999, A. Kjos, 2nd April, Bangkok 23rd Mar., Rice—Wallem & Co.	
Paklat, Ger. s.s., 1,018, F. Wenzel, 31st Mar., Bangkok 24th Mar., Gen.—B. & S.	
Persia, Br. s.s., 2,744, A. Dixon, 11th Jan., San Francisco 7th Dec., and Portland 9th, Flour—O. & O. S. Co.	
Petchaburi, Ger. s.s., 2,100, C. Wolff, 3rd April, Bangkok and Kohchang 27th Mar., Rice and Wood—M. & Co.	
Proteus, Nor. s.s., 1,024, C. Möller, 30th Mar., Bangkok 22nd Mar., Rice—Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.	
Quarta, Ger. s.s., 1,115, H. Madsen, 16th Mar., Amoy 4th Mar., Sugar and Gen.—J. C. J. L.	
Saxia, Ger. s.s., 912, Desler, 1st April, Saigon 30th Mar., Rice—S. & Co.	
Shakano Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,054, Sugi, 2nd April, Moji 26th Mar., Coal—Ataka & Co.	
Sneathleux, Br. s.s., 2,845, Todd, 28th Mar., New Aisle 5th Mar., Coal—T. & Co.	
Spir, Nor. s.s., 870, Horn, 28th Mar., Bangkok 19th Mar., Rice—Wallem & Co.	
Standard, Nor. s.s., 1,244, H. N. Bull, 1st April, Saigon 27th Mar., Rice and Cotton—Wallem & Co.	
Stetina, Br. s.s., 1,996, Farrell, 18th Feb., Singapore 20th Feb., Kerosine—Mr. Goo. McBlain.	
Teon, Br. s.s., 1,236, Outerbridge, 3rd April, Manila 31st Mar., Gen.—B. & S.	
Tuquos, Nor. s.s., 1,039, Kroglø, 30th Mar., Portland 27th Feb., and Nagasaki 27th Mar., Timber—D. & Co., Ltd.	

Steamers Expected.

Vessel	From	Agents	Due
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Siberia	Shanghai	P. M. Co.	April 7
York	Singapore	M. & Co.	April 7
Laisang	Singapore	J. M. & Co.	April 7
Alesia	Newchang	P. & A. Co.	April 7
Borneo	Sandakan	M. & Co.	April 18
Australia	Singapore	M. M.	April 13
Kumaso Maru	Thursday	N. Y. K.	April 13
China	Japan	F. M. Co.	April 14

DOCK RETURNS.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCKS.

Neil Macdonald at Kowloon Dock.

Sorogon at Kowloon Dock.

Quanta at Kowloon Dock.

H.M.S. Hardy at Kowloon Dock.

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Nankai at Kowloon Dock.

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Post Office.

A Mail will close for—

Kwong-chow-wan—Per *Holching*, 7th April, 8 A.M.

Haiphong—Per *Malakilla*, 7th April, 9 A.M.

Hoihow and Haiphong—Per *Amigo*, 7th April, P.M.

Shanghai—Per *Ghaize*, 7th April, 11 A.M.

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Vasilia—Per *Wray Castle*, 7th April, 11 A.M.

Macao—Per *Sui Tai*, 7th April, 11 A.M.

Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per *Lightning*, 7th April, 2 P.M.

Bangkok—Per *Proteus*, 7th April, 2 P.M.

Manila—Per *Tosa*, 7th April, 2 P.M.

Singapore—Per *Fuking*, 7th April, 3 P.M.

Hoihow and Bangkok—Per *Fuking*, 8th April, 9 A.M.

Shanghai—Per *Kwongsoag*, 8th April, 10 A.M.

Tientsin—Per *Chongching*, 8th April, 10 A.M.

Saloon—Per *Tungus*, 8th April, 10 A.M.

Haiphong—Per *Hongkong*, 8th April, 10 A.M.

Rangoon, 8th April, via Tuticorin—Per *Princess Alice*, 8th April, 11 A.M.

Macao—Per *Sui Tai*, 8th April, 11 A.M.

Shanghai—Per *Kiukiang*, 8th April, 11 A.M.

Singapore, Penang and Bombay—Per *Loosok*, 8th April, 11 A.M.

Macao—Per *Sui Tai*, 9th April, 11 A.M.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, (U.C.)—Per *Empress of India*, 9th April, 3 P.M.

Ningpo and Shanghai—Per *Patting*, 9th April, 3 P.M.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per *Halching*, 10th April, 9 A.M.

Macao—Per *Sui Tai*, 10th April, 11 A.M.

Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per *Lightning*, 10th April, 2 P.M.

Shanghai—Per *Loosok*, 10th April, 3 P.M.

Manila—Per *Rubi*, 11th April, 10 A.M.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco—Per *America Maru*, 11th April, 11 A.M.

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